

Record Trees

Forest of Giants

Olympic National Park was established in 1938 in part to protect the “finest sample of primeval forests...” The area’s climate and geography nurture forests of ancient, massive trees, some up to 1,000 years old. *American Forests* documents some as champions, the largest specimens in the nation (see: www.americanforests.org/resources/bigtrees/register.php). Others are near record. Dates indicate latest measurement. **To protect these living museums, don’t damage the bark and avoid trampling the soil at their base.** See back for scientific names and identification.

Alaska-cedar (2005)

Circumference	451 inches
Height	126 feet
Spread	27 feet
Total Points	582
Location: Quinault, Big Creek trail, east of Three Lakes	

Subalpine Fir (2006)

Circumference	252 inches
Height	130 feet
Spread	26 feet
Total Points	389
Area: About 300 ft. east/southeast of Cream Lake	

Engelmann Spruce (1998, Former champ, *Picea engelmannii*)

Circumference	265 inches
Height	156 feet
Spread	27 feet
Total Points	428
Location: upper Cameron Creek	

Pacific Silver Fir (1999, National Champion)

Circumference	260 inches
Height	218 feet
Spread	37 feet
Total Points	487
Location: Bogachiel Valley (east of Hades Ck.)	

Western Redcedar (1999, National Champion)

Circumference	761 inches
Height	159 feet
Spread	45 feet
Total Points	931
Location: Quinault Big Cedar Trail, 2 miles up North Shore Rd.	

Sitka Spruce (1998, Former Champion)

Circumference	668 inches
Height	191 feet
Spread	96 feet
Total Points	883
Location: Quinault (Olympic Natl. Forest)	

Grand Fir (Largest in park)

Circumference	229 inches
Height	246 feet
Spread	43 feet
Total Points	486
Location: Southeast side Duckabush Trail, 1.5 miles inside park, 100 yards past second park stream crossing.	

Douglas-fir (coastal subspecies) (1999, Former champion)

Circumference	600 inches
Height	200 feet
Spread	71 feet
Total Points	809
Location: 2.5 miles up Queets Trail then 0.2 miles up side trail to left at Coal Creek	

Douglas-fir (coastal subspecies) (1998, Co-Champion)

Circumference	505 inches
Height	281 feet
Spread	71 feet
Total Points	804
Location: Quinault (Olympic Natl. Forest)	

Mountain Hemlock (1993, Co-champ)

Circumference	234 inches
Height	152 feet
Spread	41 feet
Total Points	396
Location: East Fork Quinault, O’Neil Pass Trail	

Western Hemlock (2000, Co-champ)

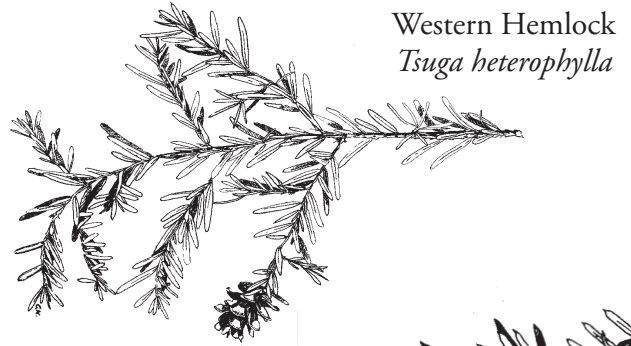
Circumference	335 inches
Height	172 feet
Spread	65 feet
Total Points	523
Location: East Fork Quinault, 2 miles east of Enchanted Valley Chalet, below trail. (Note: the two other co-champs are also in Olympic National Park!)	



Some of Olympic's Conifers



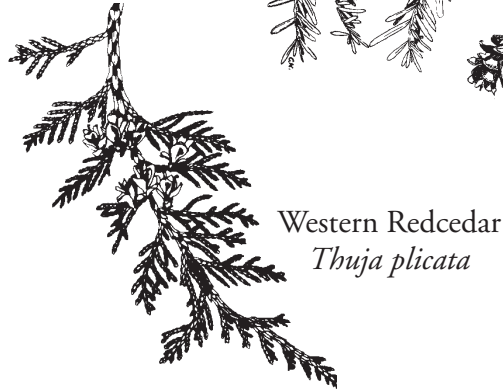
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Pseudotsuga menziesii



Western Hemlock
Tsuga heterophylla



Sitka Spruce
Picea sitchensis



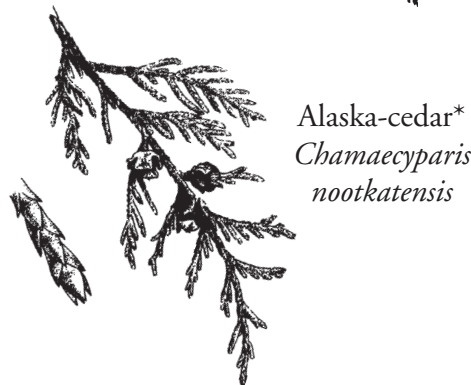
Western Redcedar
Thuja plicata



Pacific Yew
Taxus brevifolia



Grand Fir
Abies grandis



Alaska-cedar*
Chamaecyparis nootkatensis



Western White Pine*
Pinus monticola

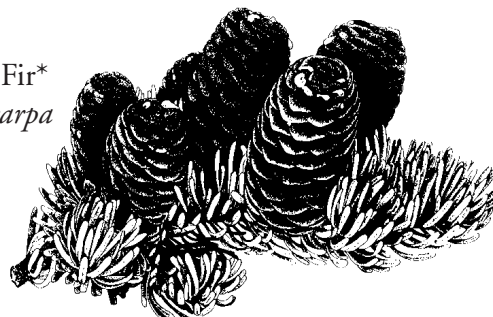


Pacific Silver Fir
Abies amabilis



Mountain Hemlock*
Tsuga mertensiana

Subalpine Fir*
Abies lasiocarpa



Lodgepole Pine*
Pinus contorta

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